Eudora City Commission Meeting City Hall – 4 E. 7<sup>th</sup> Street Eudora, Kansas January 27, 2020 7:00 pm

Call to Order
Mayor Tim Reazin
Vice Mayor Ruth Hughs
Commissioner Jolene Born
Commissioner Roberta Lehmann
Commissioner Tim Bruce

Quorum noted.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Changes or additions to agenda

Mayor Reazin requested the Executive Session be removed from the agenda.

Mayor Reazin moved the City Commission approve the agenda with the removal of the Executive Session, motion seconded by Commissioner Hughs, all ayes, motion carried, 5-0.

## Consent agenda items

- A. Consider minutes of January 13, 2020 Eudora City Commission meeting
- B. Consider warrants against the City of Eudora
- C. Consider animal sheltering service agreement with Lawrence Humane Society

Mayor Reazin moved the City Commission approve the consent items, motion seconded by Commissioner Born, all ayes, motion carried, 5-0.

## **Public comments**

Public comments were invited and were heard by Laura Rosenberger regarding the proposed Sonic Drive In sign causing drivers to be distracted and noted a couple of near accidents have happened in the Sonic intersection and thought a stop sign might help.

GW Weld, representing the Eudora Chamber of Commerce, spoke in support of 840 Main Street becoming a restaurant in downtown and suggested deed restrictions to ensure the building is used for the right kind of business.

## **Business Items**

A. Consider appointing Mike Keltner to the Eudora Community Library Board
City Manager Barack Matite stated Resolution 2019-04, a joint resolution signed by the City and Eudora
Township, allows the City Commission to fill any unexpired term on the Eudora Community Library Board.
Library Board President Eric Magette informed Mayor Reazin that Amber Jackson had resigned from the board.
The board has recruited Mike Kelso to fill that vacancy.

Commissioner Bruce moved the City Commission appoint Mike Keltner to the Eudora Community Library District Board, motion seconded by Commissioner Hughs, all ayes, motion carried, 5-0.

B. Consider mayoral appointments to the Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals City Clerk Schmeck stated the Planning Commission and the Board of Zoning Appeals have 3-year terms and half of the members are up for appointment by the Mayor and the next year the other members are up for appointment. This year three BZA members and four Planning Commissioners are up for appointment. The

Mayor has contacted the current members, and all are willing to be reappointed. One BZA member, Aaron Thakker, has moved out of the city limits which excludes him from being on the board. Mayor Reazin appointed Ron Long as Mr. Thakker's replacement.

Commissioner Bruce moved the City Commission approve Mayor Reazin's appointments to the Planning Commission and the Board of Zoning Appeals effective January 27, 2020, motion seconded by Commissioner Hughs, all ayes, motion carried, 5-0.

- C. Presentation: Kansas Fiber Network
- Manager Matite introduced Kansas Fiber Network representative Bob Wallentine who addressed the Commission. Mr. Wallentine presented his company's proposal to provide fiber connection between Lenexa and Lawrence. The proposed line would go through Eudora on 10<sup>th</sup> Street. A franchise agreement could possibly come before the Commission at a future date.
- D. Presentation: Biannual update from Eudora Community Museum Executive Director Ben Terwilliger Executive Museum Director Ben Terwilliger presented his first of two biannual reports.
- E. Consider purchase offer from the Musick Group for 840 Main Street property Commissioner Bruce recused himself from the conversation for a conflict of interest.

Manager Matite presented an offer from the Musick Group which is currently owned by the City. The Musick group offered \$100,000 for the property. Currently, it's used as storage for different city departments, the library and the Historical Society.

Jason and Jay Musick attended the meeting. Jason Musick spoke for Musick Group. Mr. Musick explained their plans for the restaurant. They described the interior design options they have been discussing. Mayor Reazin commented the large concrete flowerpots and umbrellas in the conceptual drawing look great but they are in City right of way. Commissioner Born asked for a timeframe on completing the remodel inside and exterior. Mr. Musick replied the inside is the most critical at this time and should take three or four months to complete. The outside needs to have more conversation of what the City will be doing and what the Musick Group can do after that. They will probably open with no patio. Commissioner Hughs commented that she wanted to see a new roof on the building. She asked for a timeline that would allow the for renovations for the exterior. Commissioners Lehmann and Hughs wanted to see windows in the building as shown on the conceptual drawing. Commissioners asked for an updated rendition of the building exterior. Mr. Musick agreed to deed restrictions.

Matite summarized the conversation: Commission is comfortable with the offering price of \$100,000 for the building but will discuss with the Musick Group what the City will get in return. This conversation is where staff and the Musick Group will collaborate to get something to bring back to the Commission. It will include details on the different phases and a timeline.

F. Consider request to waive city fees associated with Nottingham Project for the City of Eudora City Manager Matite explained staff wanted to bring this to the Commission publicly to request the Commissioners approve waiving the fees associated with the Nottingham Project. If not, the City would pay the fees and then reimburse itself once we had issued the GO Bonds.

Mayor Reazin moved the City Commission waive all city fees associated with the Nottingham project for the City of Eudora as it works to redevelop the Nottingham site at 1428 Elm Street, motion seconded by Commissioner Hughs, all ayes, motion carried, 5-0.

Mayor and City Commission Comments

Mayor Reazin thanked Fire and Police Departments, along with Public Works, in their response to the fire in the Intech Business Park. He thanked the other communities for their assistance. The Mayor informed the other Commissioners that didn't attend Local Government Day in Topeka that those attending met with

Senator Holland and Representatives Jim Karleskint and Eileen Horne. The consensus of the Commission was to name the Nottingham property Nottingham Center.

Commissioner Bruce - No comment.

**Commissioner Hughs** – No comment.

Commissioner Born - No comment.

Commissioner Lehmann - No comment.

City Manager and Staff Comments

City Manager Barack Matite commented the town hall meeting regarding the Comprehensive Plan will be next Tuesday in the Commission Chambers at 7:00 pm. The survey has had very good feedback. Focus Groups have been scheduled for more discussion on the plan. Asst. Manager Herring, Parks & Recreation Director Sally Pennington and Asst. Parks & Recreation Director Jimmy Kegin will be going to Wichita for a Kansas Wildlife and Parks Board meeting. Staff will present the Lucy Kaegi Trail Project for consideration. Matite will schedule a date for facility tours in preparation for the Strategic Planning meeting scheduled for March 7<sup>th</sup>. He thanked the Commissioners for attending the annual Chamber dinner and Commissioner Bruce for giving the state of the City address.

Assistant City Manager Leslie Herring didn't attend meeting.

Director of Public Works Branden Boyd didn't attend meeting.

Police Chief Wes Lovett - No comment.

Fire Chief Ken Keiter - No comment.

Parks & Recreation Director Sally Pennington – No comment.

City Clerk Pam Schmeck – No comment.

**Commissioner Bruce moved to adjourn,** motion seconded by Commissioner Born, all ayes, motion carried, 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm.

Tim Reazin, Mayor

Pam Schmeck, City Clerk